Patent claims

1. Method for the preparation of compounds of the general structure (I),

in which

R¹ stands for alkoxy with 1 to 4 carbon atoms and

R² stands for hydrogen or fluorine,

characterised in that a compound of general structure (II),

$$\begin{array}{c|cccc}
O & CI & O \\
II & I & II \\
II & II & II \\
C & C & C & C & R^1
\end{array}$$
(II)

in which

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10 R¹ has the meaning described above and

R³ stands for hydrogen, fluorine or chlorine,

is reacted with an addition product of hydrogen fluoride and triethylamine at temperatures of 103°C to 115°C at normal pressure.

- 2. Method as described in claim 1 characterised in that in the compounds of structures (I) and (II) R¹ stands for methoxy or ethoxy.
 - 3. Method as described in at least one of the claims 1 to 2 characterised in that in structures (I) and (II) R^2 und R^3 stand in each case for hydrogen.
- 4. Method as described in one of the claims 1 to 3 characterised in that the method is carried out at temperatures of 105°C to 110°C.
- 20 5. Methods as described in one of the claims 1 to 4 characterised in that the addition product of hydrogen fluoride and triethylamine contains 1 to 2 mols hydrogen fluoride per mol triethylamine.

6. Method as described in one of the claims 1 to 5 characterised in that 1 to 4 mols triethylamine relative to compounds of structure (II) are used.